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To: Dafne Mansapit-Shimizu, Director
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From: The Honorable Joshua F. Tenorio 
Acting Governor of Guam

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RE: Mayors' Verification for All RISE Program

While I appreciate the efforts of the Department of Revenue and Taxation (DRT) to assist the village mayors in addressing required verifications under the provisions of the applicable rules governing the All RISE program, some of their offices continue to experience difficulty satisfying the heightened demand.

To help alleviate these challenges and in consideration of the fact that there is neither a definition for the term "Guam Mayor's verification" nor a prescribed process for issuing that document contained in the applicable rules, this particular requirement shall be satisfied through an administrative review process undertaken by DRT and the various mayors' offices after applications are accepted. Applicants will not be required to include mayors' verification with their applications.

Upon commencement of the application process, DRT is instructed to accept applications otherwise satisfying all other requirements and further instructed to verify the residency of applicants with mayors after applications are submitted. Applicants should be required to include their village residency information as part of the application, which information DRT will use to verify with village Mayors through its administrative process. In all cases, applications shall be reviewed and verified in the order of acceptance.